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**SAN ANTONIO MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON
ON DRUG AND MONEY LAUNDERING CHARGES**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that Juan Antonio Flores was sentenced to 18 months in federal prison for illegally possessing with intent to distribute marijuana and money laundering.

In addition to the prison term, United States District Judge Fred Biery ordered that Flores be placed under supervised release for a period of three years after completing his prison term.

On October 21, 2004, Flores pled guilty to one count of possession with intent to distribute less than 50 kilograms of marijuana and one count of money laundering. On May 13, 2004, federal and local law enforcement officers executed a search warrant at the defendant's residence. As a result, authorities seized approximately 23 pounds of marijuana and approximately \$84,160 in cash found inside the garage. In pleading guilty, Flores admitted that the currency was proceeds from the sale of controlled substances and was intended for delivery to the source of supply as payment for the controlled substances.

This case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, San Antonio Police Department and Texas Department of Public Safety. Assistant United States Attorney Charlie Strauss prosecuted the case on behalf of the Government.

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